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Jim Gillies currently serves as the Director, Aircraft Carrier Requirements for Commander, Naval Air Forces, responsible for assessing and validating requirements for all twelve aircraft carriers. He began his career in the U.S. Navy as an A-4 pilot and then an aircraft maintenance officer, deploying aboard USS Kitty Hawk (CV-63) & USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN-69). Jim holds a bachelor's degree in management information systems from University of Notre Dame and an MBA from Southern New Hampshire University. He is DAWIA Level III certified in Program Management, Life Cycle Logistics, and Production, Quality & Manufacturing. Jim was a key leader in the planning and execution of major test and evaluation efforts to include Total Ship Survivability Trials and Sortie Generation Rate Demonstration along with fleet introduction of the first Ford-class aircraft carrier (CVN 78).

